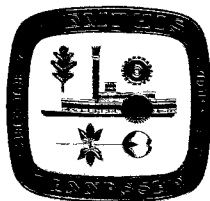


# City of Memphis



## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the vital role that technology has in our daily lives and in the future of our nation, whereby today many citizens, schools, libraries, businesses, and other organizations use the Internet for a variety of tasks, including keeping in contact with family and friends, managing personal finances, performing research, enhancing education, and conducting business; and

**WHEREAS**, critical infrastructure sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of the Internet at the primary and secondary school level enhances the education of youth by providing them access to online educational and research materials; and at institutions of higher education, the use of information technology is integral to teaching and learning, research and outreach, and service; and

**WHEREAS**, Internet users and our information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious cyber-attack, significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and

**WHEREAS**, the U. S. Department of Homeland Security has established the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications and devoted resources within it solely to support the strengthening and securing of the country's cyber infrastructure at the state, local, tribal, and territorial levels; and

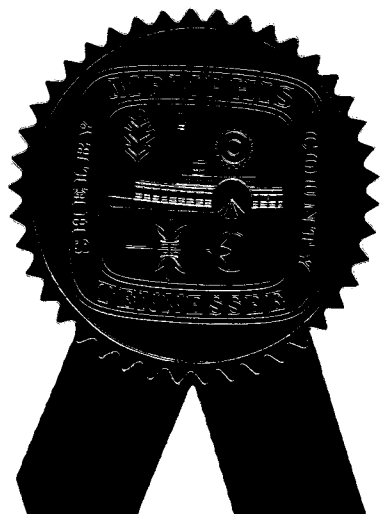
**WHEREAS**, the Stop.Think.Connect.<sup>TM</sup> Campaign is a national effort coordinated by a coalition of private companies, nonprofits and government organizations to raise awareness about cyber-security among all digital citizens, helping them to stay safer and more secure online; and

**WHEREAS**, maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of the city of Memphis' information infrastructure and economy.

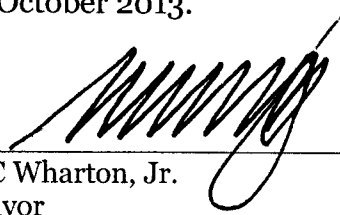
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, A C WHARTON, JR., MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE**, do hereby recognize the month of October 2013 as

## **CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH**

and ask all citizens to learn about cyber-security and to put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the city of Memphis to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2013.

  
A C Wharton, Jr.  
Mayor